

FISCAL NOTE

HB 1029 - SB 1606

February 27, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the definitions of “sexual offender” and “violent sexual offender” to include individuals who were required to register as such in another state prior to establishing residence in Tennessee. Failure to register is a Class E felony offense.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$ 1,300 / Incarceration*

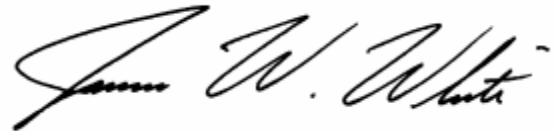
Assumptions:

- One Class E felony every five years with 0.3 years time served (109.58 days). The annualized time served per conviction is 21.92 days (0.20 annual number of convictions x 109.58 days served). According to the Department of Correction, the average operating cost per inmate per day for calendar year 2007 is \$60.16. The annualized cost per conviction is \$1,318.47 (\$60.16 x 0.20 x 109.58).
- No significant incarceration cost increase will occur due to population growth in this period.
- According to the Board of Probation and Parole (BOPP), this legislation would add a minimal number of new offenders to the registry. BOPP currently obtains the fingerprints and photographs of offenders that are required to register, enters the pertinent information into the registry, and updates the registry on an annual basis for sex offenders and on a quarterly basis for violent sex offenders. The cost of processing the potential new offenders would be not significant.
- Given the minimal increase in offender registration, the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation would not require additional resources in order to continue to maintain the sex offender registry.

**Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director